

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Examiner's attention to the present application is noted with appreciation.

In paragraph 11 of the Office Action Response, the Examiner objected to claims 46, 48, and 55-58, but stated they would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claims 46, 48, and 55-58 have been rewritten in independent form where applicable. Claim 46 has been cancelled and the substance of that claim is now incorporated into the currently amended claim 41. Claim 48 has been rewritten in independent form as new claim 60. Claim 55 has been rewritten in independent form as new claim 74. Claim 56 has been rewritten in independent form as new claim 88 and claims 57-58 have been rewritten as dependent claims 99 and 100. Accordingly, we believe that these claims are allowable.

Regarding previously withdrawn claims 42, 49 and 50, these claims have been inserted because we believe these claims to be allowable as dependent claims.

New claims 60 through 109 have been added. All other claims have been cancelled.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that all grounds of rejection and objection have been responded to. It is believed that the case is now in condition for allowance and same is respectfully requested.

If any issues remain, or if the Examiner believes that prosecution of this application might be expedited by discussion of the issues, the Examiner is cordially invited to telephone the undersigned attorney for Applicant at the telephone number listed below.

A check for additional claim fees is attached. Authorization is given to charge payment of any additional fees required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Acct. 13-4213. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed for accounting purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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